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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2000, applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, claims 22-28, drawn to a method of increasing tooth movement with PTH.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims. Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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